# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:841
ANSWERED ON:23.11.2000
DEMAND OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS
NAWAL KISHORE RAI;RAMCHANDRA BAINDA;SUSHIL KUMAR INDORA

**Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:**

(a) the demand for petroleum products in the country at present (as on 31st July, 2000) alongwith the demand being met indigenously and the total expenditure incurred thereon;

(b) the extent of demand being met by import of petroleum products and the amount being spent thereon;

(c) the percentage of increase registered recently in the prices of petroleum products at the International level and the steps taken by the Government to cope up with this increase ; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to save the petroleum products in the country during the last two years and the steps proposed to be taken in this regard during the next three years?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS ( SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR )

(a) and (b): Out of 31.37 million tonnes (provisional) of total consumption of petroleum products during the period 1.4.2000 to 31.7.2000, about 29.53 million tonnes were met from domestic refineries. The balance consumption of 1.84 million tonnes of products was met through imports costing Rs. 1812 crore (provisional).

(c): A statement is given in Annexure which provides monthly average FOB prices of petroleum products as published by PLATTs under the heading `Arab Gulf` for kerosene and high speed diesel , `Singapore` for motor spirit and `Saudi CP of Butane` for LPG, for the period November, 1999 to October, 2000 vis-a-vis the percentage increase over average of October, 1999 prices for these products. The Government continuously monitors the developments in the international market so as to make suitable adjustments in prices of petroleum products in the country

(d): Government have implemented a number of schemes to avoid wasteful consumption of petroleum products. These include awareness compaigns, training/programme in the transport sector, replacement of efficient boilers, furnaces and other oil operated equipment with efficient ones in the industrial sector, rectification of existing pumps to make them more energy efficient in the agriculture sector, development as well as promotion of fuel efficient equipment and appliances like kerosene and LPG stove in the household sector etc

Annexure referred to in reply to part (c) of Lok Sabha unstarred Question No. 841 for 23.11.2000.

Monthly Average Published (FOB) Prices of Petroleum Products (Period : November, 1999 to October, 2000.

( figs in $/MT )

| Month | (Basis Arab Gulf) | Increase over Oct`99 | %increse over Oct`99 | Singapore | Increase over Oct`99 | %increse over Oct`99 | MS | Increase over Oct`99 | % increse over Oct`99 | Saudi Aram co CP of Butane | Increase over Oct`99 | % increse over Oct`99 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| SKO | | | | HSD | | | | | | LPG | | |
| OCT 99 | 195.00 | - | - | 166.55 | - | - | 202.98 | - | - | 260.00 | - | - |
| NOV 99 | 208.46 | 13.46 | 7% | 175.34 | 8.79 | 5% | 212.94 | 9.96 | 5% | 240.00 | -20.00 | -8% |
| DEC99 | 223.54 | 28.54 | 15% | 181.54 | 14.99 | 9% | 200.83 | -2.15 | -1% | 230.00 | -30.00 | -12% |
| JAN 2000 | 235.98 | 40.98 | 21% | 198.67 | 32.12 | 19% | 229.63 | 26.65 | 13% | 251.00 | -9.00 | -3% |
| FEB 2000 | 234.19 | 39.19 | 20% | 211.26 | 44.71 | 27% | 250.76 | 47.78 | 24% | 270.00 | 10.00 | 4% |
| MAR 2000 | 243.27 | 48.27 | 25% | 233.35 | 66.80 | 40% | 266.83 | 63.85 | 31% | 325.00 | 65.00 | 25% |
| APR 2000 | 208.26 | 13.26 | 7% | 186.57 | 20.02 | 12% | 227.75 | 24.77 | 12% | 305.00 | 45.00 | 17% |
| MAY 2000 | 216.92 | 21.92 | 11% | 196.87 | 30.32 | 18% | 257.94 | 54.96 | 27% | 255.00 | -5.00 | -2% |
| JUN 2000 | 232.30 | 37.30 | 19% | 214.55 | 48.00 | 29% | 270.85 | 67.87 | 33% | 270.00 | 10.00 | 4% |
| JUL 2000 | 246.82 | 51.82 | 27% | 221.78 | 55.23 | 33% | 291.70 | 88.72 | 44% | 298.00 | 38.00 | 15% |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| AUG | 2000 | 283.46 | 88.46 | 45% | 262.88 | 96.33 | 58% | 308.74 | 105.76 | 52% | 300.00 | 40.00 | 15% |
| SEP | 2000 | 316.08 | 121.08 | 62% | 281.92 | 115.37 | 69% | 285.16 | 82.18 | 40% | 295.00 | 35.00 | 13% |
| OCT | 2000 | 323.62 | 128.62 | 66% | 273.33 | 106.78 | 64% | 261.41 | 58.43 | 29% | 325.00 | 65.00 | 25% |